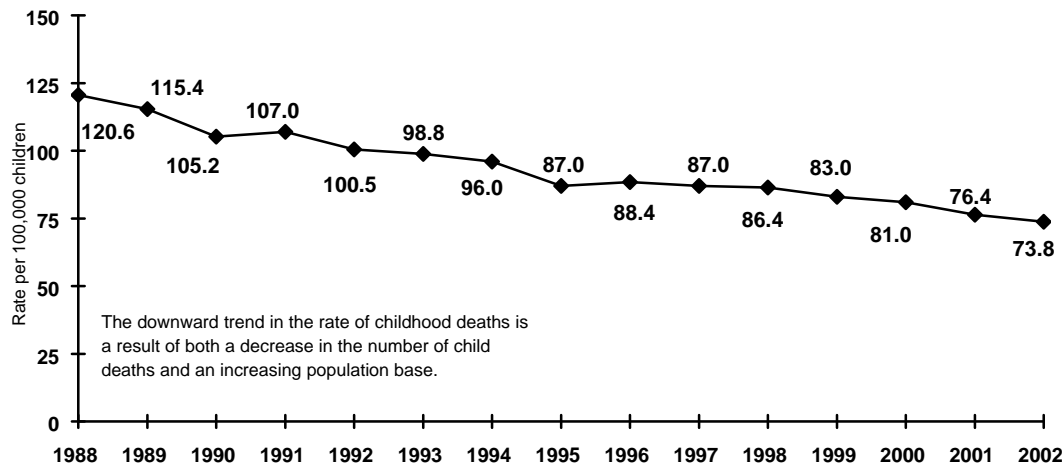


2002 CHILD DEATHS IN NORTH CAROLINA

Trend in Rate of Child Deaths 1988-2002*
Ages Birth through 17 Years



Child Deaths by Cause in North Carolina
Ages Birth through 17 Years

Cause of Death	Average Annual Number 1998-2002	Number in 2001	Number in 2002	% change from last year
Birth defects	219	217	191	-12%
Other birth-related conditions	566	558	533	-4%
Sudden infant death syndrome	98	102	81	-21%
Illnesses	294	263	302	15%
Unintentional injuries	288	262	272	15%
<i>motor vehicle injuries</i>	180	171	172	1%
<i>bicycle injuries</i>	10	8	5	-38%
<i>injuries caused by fire</i>	14	7	23	229%
<i>drowning</i>	30	25	23	-8%
<i>other unintentional injuries</i>	54	51	49	-4%
Homicide	53	43	43	0%
Suicide	32	29	19	-34%
All other	44	55	60	9%
TOTAL	1595	1529	1501	-2%

Child Deaths by Age

	Average 1998-2002	Number in 2001	Number in 2002	% change 2001 to 2002
Infant	1013	1005	957	-5%
1-4	138	133	132	-1%
5-9	102	84	101	20%
10-14	126	123	129	5%
15-17	194	184	182	-1%

NC Population

	Total	Under 18
2001	8188010	2001870
2002	8323946	2035224
% change	1.7%	1.7%

Data reflect state residents.

Please see Technical Notes at <http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/healthstats/deaths/cdtech2002.html>

* Child death rates for 1990-1999 are not the same as published in some previous reports due to revised population estimates.

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